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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of the application are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks herewith, which place the application into condition for allowance. The present amendment is being made to facilitate prosecution of the application.

I. STATUS OF THE CLAIMS AND FORMAL MATTERS.

Claims 2-10 are pending. Claims 2-10, which are independent, are hereby amended. Claim 1 is hereby canceled without prejudice or disclaimer of any subject matter. No new matter has been introduced. It is submitted that these claims, as originally presented, were in full compliance with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §112. Changes to claims are not made for the purpose of patentability within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §101, §102, §103, or §112. Rather, these changes are made simply for clarification and to round out the scope of protection to which Applicant is entitled.

Claims 1, 3-6 and 8-10 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 4,860,217 to Sasaki, et al. (hereinafter, merely "Sasaki") in view of "Perspective Filters in FCP" by Ken Stone (hereinafter, merely "Stone") and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,521,648 to Shiraishi, et al. (hereinafter, merely "Shiraishi").

Claims 2 and 7, which were indicated as allowable, have been written in independent form. Claims 3-6 and 8-10 have been amended to incorporate features of claim 2.

Therefore, Applicant submits that independent claims 2-10 are patentable.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is believed that all of the claims in this application are patentable and Applicant respectfully requests early passage to issue of the present application.

Please charge any additional fees that may be needed, and credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

Respectfully submitted,

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